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NEWTOWN AND LLANIDLOES RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH
FOR THE YEAR 1961 INCLUDING REPORT OF THE
PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR.



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NEWTOWN AND LLANIDLOES RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL.

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Medical Officer of Health: Amelia Evans, B.Sc., M.B., B.Ch., D.P.H.

Senior Public Health Inspector: H.H. Thomas.

Additional Public Health Inspector: A. Maddocks.

Rodent Operator: C.L. Thomas.

Administrative Assistant: E.G. Corfield.

To the Chairman and Members of the Newtown and Llanidloes
Rural District Council.

Mrs. Linhard and Gentlemen,

Once again it is my duty to present to you the Annual report on the health and sanitaty oonditions of your district for 1961. It is arranged in accordance with the Welsh Board of Health Circular 1/62 (Wales.)

Staff. There were no staff changes in 1961.

Vital Statistics. The preliminary report issued by the Registrar General following the 1961 Census gave the population of the Rural District for that year as 8,625 compared with 9,425 in 1951, being a decrease of some 800 over 10 years.

There were 122 births, 66 boys and 56 girls. This figure includes 3 still births all of which were legitimate, 7 premature births and 2 illegitimate births, 22 of these babies were born at home. There were 3 sets of twins.

The birth rate for 1961 was 14.10 per 1,000 population compared with 16.54 in 1960.

There were 3 still births which gives a rate of 27.0 per 1,000 live and still births compared with 38.4 in 1960. They were all legitimate births. There were 2 illegitimate live births which gives a rate of 1.6% of total live births compared with 3.8% in 1960.

There were 3 deaths of infants under 1 year :-

- (1) A baby boy who died aged 1 day with anoxia.
- (2) A baby boy who died aged 4 months with a brain tumour.
- (3) A girl age 9 days who died of atelectasis.

This gives an infant mortality rate of 24.6 per 1,000 live births compared with 27 in 1960. The rate in the rural areas was 17.7, in the urban areas 7.2 and in Montgomeryshire 13.4.

Deaths. There were 93 deaths giving a rate of 10.75 per 1,000 population compared with 10.47 in 1960. The rate in the rural areas was 11.65, in the urban areas 12.12 and in Montgomeryshire 11.85.

National Assistance Act, 1948. Section 47. No action was taken under this Act.

WATER SUPPLIES. The Council ceased to be the Water Authority for its area on 1st April, 1961, when all public supplies were taken over by the newly formed Montgomeryshire Water Board. The Council, however, continued to act as agents as far as existing supplies were concerned. The quality and quantity of the various supplies continued to be satisfactory with the exception of the Llandinam area. At Llandinam the mountain streams from which the supplies are taken began to dry

up during the month of June and it became necessary to impose restrictions on consumption for the period from June 26th to 5th August.

Piped water supply was available in the parishes of :-

Bettws

Carno

Kerry - Villages of Kerry and Sarn

Llandinam

Llangurig - Villages of Llangurig and Cwmbelan (Filtration only)

Llanwnnog - Villages of Llanwnnog, Caersws, Clatter and Pontdolgoch.

Llanwyddelan - Village of Adfa

Tregynon

Manafon and New Mills.

Work was commenced on the Dolfor and Stepside water scheme during the year, the work being supervised by the Council's Resident Engineer on behalf of the Montgomeryshire Water Board. The urgent need still existed for an improved water supply at Llandinam.

Eight samples were taken from these supplies for bacteriological examination and all were reported on as satisfactory.

Proposed Private Supplies. Forty bacteriological samples were taken from proposed new supplies. Of these samples 31 were reported as unsatisfactory. No private supply was given the approval of the Council or proceeded with until satisfactory samples were obtained or treatment installed.

Existing Private Supplies. One sample taken for chemical analysis was satisfactory. Fifty five bacteriological samples were taken and 42 were reported as unsatisfactory involving 25 sources. Of these unsatisfactory sources :-

4 were improved by chlorination

2 were connected to mains supply

5 were found to be satisfactory following the carrying out of improvement works.

Efforts continued to encourage the improvement (where possible) of unsatisfactory supplies and the need for adequate boiling of unsafe water before consumption, was stressed.

Number of Dwelling Houses and Number of estimated population supplied from the Montgomeryshire Water Board's Water Mains within the area of the Council.

<u>District.</u>	<u>Houses.</u>	<u>Standpipes.</u>	<u>Est.Population.</u>
Clatter & Pontdolgoch	18		61
Carno	69	15	294
Llanwnnog	21	2	80
Caersws	189		661
Llandinam	114	9	430
Llangurig	41	4	157
Cwmbelan	2	15	60
Kerry	86		301
Sarn	49	3	182
Adfa	24	1	87
Tregynon	40	3	151
Bettws	11		39
Manafon & New Mills	19	1	21
	<u>685</u>	<u>53</u>	<u>2524</u>

Sanitation.

The arrangements for sewage disposal in the district are not adequate. The following districts have a public sewerage system :-

Carno (part), Caersws, Llandinam, Kerry, Tregynon.

With the exception of Llandinam the above-mentioned systems are satisfactory and are being maintained in efficient working condition. A new sewerage scheme for Llandinam cannot, unfortunately, be proceeded with until an adequate public water supply is available. The nature of the effluent discharged into the river from the existing sewerage plant is unsatisfactory.

The extension of the Carno Sewerage Scheme (Stage 2) to include the whole of the Village was continued during 1961 and reached a stage of near completion. Work was commenced on the Llangurig Sewerage Scheme. Arrangements were well in hand for new schemes at Bettws and Stepaside and it was hoped that work would commence during 1962. Proposals were in hand for Adfa, Bwlchyffridd, Llanwnnog, Clatter and Staylitle.

Work was commenced on the construction of a Public Convenience at Caersws and it was hoped to erect another in Llangurig during 1962.

HOUSING.

New Houses. The eight Council Houses under construction during 1960 were completed this year - six were in Caersws and two in Kerry. Six houses were built by private enterprise and thirteen were under construction but not completed in 1961.

During 1961 seven Council Houses were re-let and the eight new houses let. At the end of the year there were eighty two applicants on the Council's waiting list for houses.

In July, 1961, Demolition Orders under Section 16 of the Housing Act, 1957, were made in respect of two privately owned houses in Kerry Village. One of the displaced families was re-housed by the Council and the other family provided a new house for its own occupation.

I would like to express my sincere thanks to my colleagues in both the Public Health Department and in the Clerk's Department for their ready willingness to co-operate on all matters concerning my work for this Council.

I am,
Your obedient Servant,

(Sgnd.) AMELIA EVANS.

STATISTICAL SURVEY.

	1951.	1960.
Area in acres	151,231	151,231
Population	8,650	9,070
Rateable Value	£43,729	£43,252
Product of penny rate	£169. 10s. 3.6d.	£168. 3s. 1d.

LIVE BIRTHS.

	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
Legitimate	66	54	120	71	73	144
Illegitimate	-	2	2	4	2	6
	66	56	122	75	75	150

Home Confinements

22

22

Birth rate per 1000

population

14.10

16.54

(a) Rural areas of County

15.29

15.93

(b) Urban areas of County

15.30

15.51

(c) Montgomeryshire

15.30

15.76

Illegitimate live births

(percent of total live births)

1.6

3.8

STILL BIRTHS.

Number of still births

3

6

Rate per 1000 total live and
still births

23.4

38.4

(a) Rural areas of County

13

22.77

(b) Urban areas of County

25

28.17

(c) Montgomeryshire

18

24.89

Total live and still births

125

156

INFANT DEATHS.

Total infant deaths per 1000

total live births

24.6

27

(a) Rural areas of County

17.7

19

(b) Urban areas of County

7.2

4

(c) Montgomeryshire

13.4

13

Deaths of infants under 1 year

3

4

Deaths of infants under 4 weeks

2

3

Deaths of infants under 1 week

2

2

ILLEGITIMATE BIRTHS.

	1961.	1960.
Total	2	6
Percentage of total live births	1.6	3.8
(a) Rural areas in County	4.0	4.8
(b) Urban areas in County	4.5	3.9
(c) Montgomeryshire	4.2	4.4

DEATHS.

	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
All ages	47	46	93	51	44	95

Death rate per 1000
population

(a) Newtown & Llanidloes R.D.C.	10.75	10.47
(b) Rural areas in County	11.65	11.73
(c) Urban areas in County	12.12	11.04
(d) Montgomeryshire	11.85	11.47

AGE AT DEATH.

Under 1 year	2	1	3	2	2	4
1 - 5	-	1	1	-	-	-
5 -	-	-	-	-	-	-
15 -	-	-	-	-	-	-
25 -	1	-	1	1	1	2
35 -	2	-	2	3	2	5
45 -	2	-	2	4	1	5
55 -	17	6	23	7	3	10
65 -	6	10	16	9	10	19
75 -	11	17	28	19	18	37
85 and over	6	11	17	6	7	13
Total	47	46	93	51	44	95

CAUSES OF DEATH.

	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
Respiratory Tuberculosis	1	-	1	-	-	-
Other forms of Tuberculosis	-	-	-	-	-	-
Syphilitic Disease	-	-	-	-	-	-
Diphtheria	-	-	-	-	-	-
Whooping Cough	-	-	-	-	-	-
Meningococcal infections	-	-	-	-	-	-
Acute Poliomyelitis	-	-	-	-	-	-
Measles	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other infective and parasitic diseases.	-	-	-	-	-	-
Malignant neoplasm - stomach	3	5	8	1	-	1
" " - lung & bronchus	2	-	2	1	-	1
" " - uterus	-	1	1	-	1	1

	1961.			1960.		
	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.
Malignant neoplasm - breast	-	-	-	-	2	2
Other malignant & lymphatic neoplasms	6	3	9	5	4	9
Leukaemia	-	-	-	-	-	-
Diabetis	-	-	-	1	1	2
Vascular lesions of nervous system	6	7	13	6	6	12
Coronary disease - angina	11	5	16	11	6	17
Hypertension with heart disease	-	2	2	-	-	-
Other heart disease	4	7	11	9	7	16
Other circulatory disease	2	2	4	3	4	7
Influenza	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pneumonia	-	3	3	-	-	-
Bronchitis	-	-	-	2	-	2
Other diseases of respiratory system	1	1	2	-	1	1
Ulcer of stomach & duodenum	-	1	1	-	1	1
Gastritis, Enteritis, Diarrhoea-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nephritis, nephrosis	1	-	1	-	3	3
Hyperplasia of prostate	3	-	3	-	-	-
Pregnancy, Childbirth, Abortion	-	-	-	-	-	-
Congenital Malformations	-	-	-	-	3	3
Other defined & ill defined diseases	5	6	11	8	3	11
Motor Vehicle Accidents	1	-	1	3	-	3
All other accidents	1	1	2	1	1	2
Suicide	-	2	2	-	1	1
	47	46	93	51	44	95

TUBERCULOSIS.

One new case of pulmonary tuberculosis in a woman of 47 years was notified in 1961. Two other names were put on the register, both of whom had been previously notified and who had come to live in the rural district.

During the year 9 names were removed from the register:-

1. A woman aged 22 in 1960 when notified with pulmonary tuberculosis, left the area.
2. A man aged 64 in 1956 when notified with pulmonary tuberculosis, left the area.
3. A woman aged 28 in 1955 when notified with pulmonary tuberculosis, due to recovery.
4. A girl aged 8 in 1954 when notified with lupus vulgaris, due to recovery.
5. A man of 19 in 1952 when notified with pulmonary tuberculosis, due to death.
6. A man of 21 in 1953 when notified with tubercular pleural effusion - due to recovery.
7. A man age 24 in 1936 when notified with pulmonary tuberculosis, died from cerebral haemorrhage.
8. A woman age 79 in 1958 when notified, died from cerebral thrombosis.

9. A woman age 43 in 1943 when notified with pulmonary tuberculosis, left the area.

At the end of the year there were 43 names on the register.

The mass radiography unit continued to visit Newtown and is located at the Health Clinic in Park Street, Newtown, and comes on an average every third Wednesday.

Publicity is given through the urban area as to the dates of the Unit's attendance and this information can be obtained from the County Health Offices.

<u>Quarter of</u> <u>1961.</u>	<u>Number of Visits of Units.</u>	<u>Number of people</u> <u>attending for X Ray.</u>
1st.	4	60 54 general volunteers. 1 referred by G.P. 5 Scholars.
2nd.	4	52 51 general volunteers. 1 referred by G.P.
3rd.	3	50 47 general volunteers. 3 referred by G.P.
4th.	5	89 82 general volunteers. 3 referred by G.P.

Special Surveys by the Unit were carried out during the year at :-

Bramptons Fittings Ltd.(Newtown).
Pryce Jones Ltd. (Newtown).
Price & Orphin (Newtown).
Lewis & Son (Newtown).
John Mills (Llanidloes).
T. Pryce Hamer (Llanidloes).
J. E. Cardwell Ltd. (Machynlleth).

	<u>Total.</u>	<u>Male.</u>	<u>Female.</u>
Number examined	872	504	368
Total found to be abnormal	20	15	5
(a) Referred to chest physician as requiring further investigation	10	7	3
(b) Other abnormalities of chest	10	8	2

Vaccination against tuberculosis using freeze dried B.C.G. was again carried out in the High Schools and offered to children of 13 years and over.

School.	Mantoux tested.	Mantoux positive.	Mantoux negative.	B.C.G. vaccinated.	Post B.C.G. Mantoux + ve.	Post B.C.G. Mantoux neg.
Cyfronfydd	10	2	8	8	7	1
		(Both had B.C.G. before)				
Brynlllywarch	13	4	9	9	7	1
		(2 had B.C.G. before)			(1 absent-ill).	
Newtown Boys High	63	12	49	49	39	2
		(11 had B.C.G. before)		(2 absent)		(8 absent)
College of Further Educ.	16	3	13	13	12	-
		(2 had B.C.G. before)			(1 absent)	
Newtown Girls High	81	24	57	56	47	3
		(16 had B.C.G. before)		(1 absent)		(6 absent)
Machynlleth High	103	15	84	84	78	-
		(6 had B.C.G. before)		(4 absent)		(6 absent)
Llanidloes High	84	26	56	56	54	-
		(13 had B.C.G. before)		(2 absent)		(2 absent)

INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

The following were notified in 1961 :-

Measles	195 cases
Acute pneumonia	5 "
Whooping Cough	1 "

Age and Sex Distribution of Measles in each quarter.

Age.	1st Quarter.		2nd Quarter.		3rd Quarter.		4th Quarter.	
	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.
Under 1 year	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
1 -	-	-	1	2	-	2	1	-
2 -	-	-	2	-	8	6	1	-
3 -	-	-	-	3	2	3	-	-
4 -	-	-	1	2	7	11	1	2

Age and Sex Distribution of Measles in each quarter (continued).

Age.	1st Quarter.		2nd Quarter.		3rd Quarter.		4th Quarter.	
	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.
5 - 9	-	-	20	16	23	15	5	3
10 - 14	-	1	6	9	15	7	-	-
15 - 24	-	-	1	2	9	2	-	1
25 +	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-
Total:	-	1	33	36	65	46	8	6

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES in the AREA.

AMBULANCE The local service consists of the St. John Ambulance and is responsible to the Ambulance Committee of the County Council Health Committee.

Telephone: Caersws 225. Newtown 205 (after 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.)
Newtown 359 (after 5 p.m.) Llanidloes 381.

Sitting Car Service - all enquiries to the County Health Offices,
Newtown. Telephone: Newtown 205.

CHILDREN'S OFFICER. This office is established by the County Council under the terms of the Children's Act, 1948.

The Children's Officer is: Mr. W.E. Jones,
Children's Dept.,
County Offices,
Welshpool. Telephone: Welshpool
3311.

The Children's Reception Home is at:- 12, Bronwylfa,
Welshpool.
Telephone: Welshpool 3109.

DOMICILIARY MIDWIFERY AND HOME NURSING.

The district is served by :-

Sister C. Lloyd Jones,
Bryneglwys,
Newtown. Telephone: Newtown 497.

Mochdre & Dolfor.

Sister E.F. Humphreys,
The Moat,
Kerry. Telephone: Kerry 62.

Kerry, Sarn,
Abermule.

Nurse C.J. Lloyd,
3, Llys Cynon,
Tregynon. Telephone: Tregynon 250.

Tregynon, Bettws,
New Mills, Manafon,
Adfa, Bwlchyffridd.

Sister R.E. Jones,
Dudley House,
Llanidloes. Telephone: Llanidloes 244.

Llangurig, Cwmbelan,
Old Hall.

DOMICILIARY MIDWIFERY AND HOME NURSING (continued).

Nurse Griffiths, Llandinam, Oakley
Tyncoed, Park, Lldiartywaen.
Llandinam. Telephone: Caersws 344.

Sister C. Hamer, Caersws, Llanwnnog,
5, Garden Suburb, and part of Mochdre
Llanidloes. and Trefeglwys.

Nurse A.S. Peate, Carno, Clatter,
Y Glyn, Pontdelgoch.
Carno. Telephone: Carno 215.

HOME HELP SERVICE. The services of home helps are available
in certain cases such as sickness, home
confinements, and the care of the aged in their own homes.

Application should be made to the Supervisor:-

Mrs. Rhoda Goodwin,
County Health Offices,
Newtown. Telephone: Newtown 205.

HOSPITALS. The area is served by the County Infirmary, Newtown,
and the Llanidloes and District Hospital, both of
which take surgical, medical and midwifery cases. The hospitals
are controlled by the Mid Wales Hospital Board at Aberystwyth.

LABORATORY SERVICE. During 1961 use was made of the Public
Health Laboratory, Royal Salop Infirmary,
Shrewsbury. The service is completely satisfactory from the
point of view of samples sent from this authority.

MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE. The County Council is responsible
for this service. Clinics
serving the area are held at :-

1. Newtown, Park Street. Every Wednesday afternoon.
2. Llanidloes, New Clinic. Second and last Wednesday afternoon.
3. Staylittle, Community Centre. Third Thursday afternoon.
4. Caersws, School Room, Presbyterian Chapel. Last Friday afternoon.

TUBERCULOSIS. This service is controlled by the Regional Hospital
Board. Dr. G.O. Thomas, the chest physician, holds
clinics to service this district :-

Newtown, County Infirmary - second and fourth Tuesdays, 11 a.m.
Llanidloes Hospital - Saturday before last Tuesday, 10.30 a.m.

VACCINATION AGAINST SMALL POX.

In this district the family doctor carries out Small Pox

Vaccination. This procedure is still encouraged and at the infant clinics and in their homes, the mothers are urged to have their babies vaccinated.

PROTECTION AGAINST DIPHTHERIA, WHOOPING COUGH, TETANUS AND POLIOMYELITIS.

During 1961 the Ministry of Health issued a memorandum based on recommendations of the Medical Research Council. This gave official sanction for the use of combined Antigens. Previously this practice had not been approved because of the risk of provocative poliomyelitis. However it is now considered that this risk is extremely small and the County Health Department has adopted the following Schedule :-

<u>Age.</u>	<u>Vaccine.</u>	<u>Interval.</u>	<u>Injection.</u>
6 to 8 months	Poliomyelitis 1)	4 weeks	1
	Poliomyelitis 2)		2
9 to 12 "	Diphtheria, pertussis & tetanus 1	4 - 6 weeks	3
	Diphtheria, pertussis & tetanus 2		
15 to 18 "	Poliomyelitis 3		5
18 to 21 "	Diphtheria, pertussis & tetanus 3		6

Small pox during first two years but preferably 4 to 5 months.

School Entry	Poliomyelitis 4
	Diphtheria & tetanus (booster)
8 to 12 years	Diphtheria & tetanus (booster)
	Small pox - revaccination
13 years +	B.C.G. vaccination.

To the Chairman and Members of the Council.

I beg to submit my report for the year ended 31st December, 1961.

The following is a summary and classification of inspections carried out during the year :-

PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1936.

Building Byelaws	139
Refuse Disposal	19
Sewage Disposal	73
Disinfection	1
Complaints)	
Revisits \	36
Miscellaneous	151
Water Supplies	404
Estates	186

FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1955.

Inspections	304
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HOUSING ACT, 1957.

Inspections	15
Demolitions Orders (Section 16)	2

HOUSING (FINANCIAL PROVISIONS) ACT, 1958/61.

Inspections in respect of grant applications during 1961	202
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The following are details of Grants approved by the Council to date.

1. Discretionary Grants.

	<u>No. of Houses.</u>	<u>Amount of Grant.</u>
Grants approved to 31st December, 1960.	201	£53,987
Grants approved during 1961	42	£12,230
Total to 31st December, 1961	243	£66,217

Total Amount of Grants paid (from the commencement of the Act to 31st December, 1961):- £50,230.

(2) <u>Standard Grants.</u>	<u>No. of Houses.</u>	<u>Amount of Grant.</u>
Grants approved to 31st December, 1960	5	£475
Grants approved during 1961	2	£250
Total to 31st December, 1961	7	£725

Total amount of grants paid (from commencement of provisions to 31st December, 1961) - £580.

CARAVAN SITES AND CONTROL OF DEVELOPMENT ACT, 1960.

Inspections 18
No. of Site Licences granted...12

WATER SUPPLIES. The total number of samples taken during the year and submitted for analysis or examination was :-

- (a) Chemical Samples 1 (Satisfactory)
- (b) Bacteriological Samples 103
 - (i) Satisfactory 30
 - (ii) Unsatisfactory 73

Twenty five existing private supplies were found to be unsatisfactory and of these 11 were improved and later found to be satisfactory.

FOOD INSPECTION. A satisfactory standard of cleanliness was maintained in all premises. During the year four premises were newly registered for the sale of ice-cream which made a total of 18 premises registered for this purpose.

The four slaughterhouses continued to operate within the area. Proposals were submitted in respect of each of them detailing the alterations which were to be carried out to comply with the new standard laid down by the regulations made under the Slaughterhouses Act, 1958. In this respect, close liason was maintained with the Veterinary Officer of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

The necessary work^{was} commenced in respect of three of the Slaughterhouses but in the case of the fourth, work was held up pending approval from the Local Planning Authority.

During the year the following number of carcasses were inspected:-

<u>Beasts.</u>	<u>Pigs.</u>	<u>Sheep/Lambs.</u>	<u>Calves.</u>
367	243	3148	1

Meat Condemned.

Livers - Pigs: 1 Sheep: 20 Beasts: 6
 Heads - Beasts: 2
 Kidneys - Pigs: 1 Beasts: 3
 Carcase
 & Organs- Pigs: 1 Sheep: 5

Canned Food Condemned.

Fruit 10lbs. 13 ozs.
 Vegetables 14lbs. 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ ozs.
 Meat 15 $\frac{1}{2}$ ozs.
 Miscellaneous 5lbs. 2 ozs.

New Dwelling Houses. During the year the work of constructing eight Council Houses was continued and completed. Six of these were at Caersws and two at Kerry. In the case of private enterprise nineteen houses were under construction and six of these were completed.

Sewerage and Sewage Disposal. Sewage Disposal schemes are in operation in the Villages of :- Caersws, Carno, Kerry and Tregynon.

During the year work was commenced on the construction of a Public Convenience at Caersws.

Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949.

RODENT CONTROL.

Report of Inspections, Treatments etc. carried out during 1961.

Type of Premises.	Number of Properties surveyed under the Act.	Number of Infestations found.	Number of Infestations treated.	Number of premises where Infestations were treated by their Occupiers.	Number of Revisits made in connection with Treatments.
Agricultural	516	75	79	nil	474
Business	38	11	11	nil	82
Private Dwellings	468	53	59	nil	233
Local Authority	20	10	10	nil	126
Totals	1,042	149	159	nil	915

In conclusion I would like to express my appreciation of the co-operation given me by the Members of the Council and staff during the year.

I am,
Yours faithfully,

(Sgnd.) H. H. THOMAS.
Senior Public Health Inspector.

